

st la mode, long de cot6 comme des
 oreilles de
 chien. Je suis plus d'égourdi qu'd ma
 pension,
 oil j'avois Fair d'un grand nigaud; la
 moindre
 parole que je voulois parler on
 m'imposait silence,
 en disant que j'etais une bete," &c., &c.

November 26,

1796.

I have a large parcel by the
 messenger, and
 am rather surprised at receiving no
 letters from
 you; but I had one from Mr, Marsh,
 and two
 from Lord Spencer, kind and confidential.
 Lord
 Malmesbury read me part of his
 despatch to-day,
 in which he speaks very handsomely
 of me to
 Lord Grenville. The minister here has
 given me
 leave to see Sir Sidney Smith, but not
 the order
 for it, without which I cannot get
 admittance. I
 expect it to-morrow.

I find, as far as my acquaintances go,
 that in
 Paris there are very few Republican~~s~~—
 almost all
 are Jacobins or Royalists. The former
 have great
 force, and the Directory tries to keep
 itself, up by
 balancing one party against the other.
 There is

great confusion and distress in the
Government.

Paris, without police, is full of
robbers and